

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Masahiro Hinami Confirmation No.: 5891  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111(a)

Sir:

In response to the Office action dated October 10, 2007 having a shortened statutory period for response of three (3) months that expired on January 10, 2008, which is extended for a period of three (3) months to expire on April 10, 2008 under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), please enter these amendments and consider the following remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.